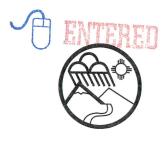


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February 6, 2003

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RE: NMED APPROVAL OF REVISED WIPP FACILITY WORK PLAN NOTICE WIPP HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT EPA I.D. NUMBER NM4890139088

Dear Dr. Triay and Dr. Warren:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) received an e-mail from Jody Plum of your staff on February 3, 2003, transmitting a draft notice regarding the submittal of the revised WIPP Facility Work Plan as specified in Permit Condition VII.M.1 and Table 1 of Module VII. NMED reviewed the draft notice to determine whether it fulfills the notice requirements of Permit Condition VII.D.4 and provided informal comments via e-mail to Mr. Plum on February 3, 2003. NMED subsequently received a revised copy of the draft notice via e-mail today. NMED approves the revised notice for mailing to the public.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (505) 428-2517.

Sincerely,

Steve Zappe

WIPP Project Leader

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